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## IMPORTANT DATES

February 11th: General PTA meeting and Open House at 6pm

February 13th: Valentines Day Room Party

February 14th: No School = Teacher Work Day

February 17th: No School = Presidents' Day

<u>February 24th-</u> <u>28th:</u> Parent Teacher Conferences

February 28th: No School = Conferences

February 17th: No School = Presidents' Day

March 5th: Brown bag lunch

### Information and Events

- \* <u>Valentines Day:</u> Our Valentine's Party will be on Thursday, February 13 beginning at 2:30 pm. We will also exchange valentine cards on that day before the party begins. This is an optional activity. However, if participating, your child will need to have a valentine for each person in the classroom. We currently have 24 students. Also, students may want to decorate a box or bag to serve as a valentine mailbox. Due to time constraints we will not make these mailboxes in class. There is a class list included in your child's Friday Folder if he/she wishes to bring valentines for each classmate.
- \* <u>Conferences</u>: Thank you to everyone who returned your conference scheduling form. I will do my best to make sure everyone received their first choice for conference times. Thank you for your support and communication at home!
- \* <u>Brown Bag Lunch:</u> Mark your calendars! Team Ronzio will be having a brown bag lunch on Tuesday, March 5th. During this lunch we will share our nonfiction writing projects with you.



# 💢 🙀 What We've Been Boing



- \* Math: We finished our money unit. Students should be able to identify coins by their name and value as well as count and add various amounts of change together. This is a great unit to continue practicing at home. On Friday we made a bar graph on our predictions for who will win the Super Bowl and whether or not the groundhog will see his shadow on Sunday, February 2nd. Check our website for more pictures.
- \* Writing: This week we focused on adding details and definitions to our nonfiction writing projects. Students are working on drafting thoughtful and factual books. Next week we will begin the revising and editing process. We will share our nonfiction projects at our brown bag lunch on March 5th.
- \* Reading: In shared reading we continued to learn about more nonfiction text features and how they help readers better understand the text. Ask your child what book they have been reading in their book club!
- \* Word Study: We focused on words that make the long a sound with "ay" and "ai."
- \* <u>Social Studies</u>: In class students created a map of their own country. Their maps included a key, title, and compass rose. We also learned about the seven continents of the world. Next week we will learn about the five oceans as well as begin our president research project.